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SUBJECT: ANTI-TERRORIST PROJECTS - CHANCERY

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1. THE FOLLOWING SECURITY PROJECTS HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY AMBASSADOR AND ESTIMATES HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FOR THEIR CONSTRUCTION. ONCE THESE PROJECTS HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED SOUND SECURITY PRACTICES AND ACCESS CONTROL WILL BE IN EFFECT FOR CHANCERY AND COMPOUND:

A. CONSTRUCTION OF TWO ANTI-TERRORIST GUARD HOUSES FOR CHANCERY COMPOUND. ONE WILL BE POSITIONED IN FRONT OF CHANCERY AND ONE WILL BE POSITIONED IN REAR OF CHANCERY COMPOUND. DESIGN AND BUILT AS OUTLINED IN FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS:

(1) CONSTRUCT TWO GUARD HOUSES WITH OUTSIDE DIMENSIONS OF 6' WIDE 8' LONG AND 7' HIGH FROM FLOOR TO CEILING.

HOUSES SHOULD BE CONSTRUCTED OF 4" CEMENT BLOCK FILLED WITH CONCRETE AND IRON REINFORCEMENT RODS. FOUNDATIONS SHOULD BE 12" HIGH ON ONE HOUSE AND 6" ON THE OTHER.

(2) ROOFS SHOULD BE FLAT WITH A SLIGHT SLANT FOR THE RUNOFF OF RAIN, COVERED IN RED ASBESTOS SHEETS DESIGNED LIKE SPANISH TILES. ROOFS SHOULD SUFFICIENTLY OVERHAND HOUSES TO ALLOW PROTECTION FOR THE RAIN ON ALL SIDES THAT ARE NOT ADJACENT TO EXISTING WALLS.

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(3) HOUSES SHOULD HAVE FALSE CEILINGS COVERED IN CELOTEX ACOUSTICAL TILES MEASURING 2'X4". TWO AIR VENTS SHOULD BE PLACED IN EACH HOUSE IN AREA BETWEEN CEILING AND ROOF.

(4) DOORS SHOULD BE OF SOLID WOOD COVERED ON BOTH SIDES WITH 1/4" PLATE STEEL WITH METAL FRAME AND HEAVY DUTY HINGES. DOORS SHOULD OPEN OUT WITH HINGES SELDED OR

FACING IN.

(5) WALLS ARE TO BE LINED WITH 1/4" PLATE STEEL FROM THE FLOOR TO A HEIGHT OF FOUR FEET. WINDOWS WILL BE OF LEXAN, PROVIDED BY THE EMBASSY, AND MEASURE APPROXIMATELY 2'X5' ON TWO SIDES AND 2'X3' ON THE END OF THE GUARD HOUSE TO BE CONSTRUCTED IN THE REAR OF THE EMBASSY. THE GUARD HOUSE TO BE CONSTRUCTED IN FRONT OF THE EMBASSY WILL HAVE WINDOW OPENINGS MEASURING APPROXIMATELY 2'X5' ON ONE SIDE, 2'X3' ON THE OTHER SIDE AND 2'X3' ON BOTH ENDS.

(6) INTERIOR OF EACH GUARD HOUSE SHOULD HAVE:

(A) DRAINAGE OUTLET IN THE FLOOR.

(B) CEMENT FLOOR COVERED WITH REMOVABLE WOODEN GRILLS TO STAND ON.

(C) SHELF ON ONE END MEASURING 1' DEEP, 3 1/2' HIGH FROM FLOOR AND SAME WIDTH AS THE INTERIOR OF THE HOUSE.

(D) SMALL FLOURESCENT LAMP IMMEDIATELY OVER COUNTER

(E) TWO DOUBLE ELECTRIC OUTLETS (110V) AND IF NECESSARY ELECTRIC BREAKERS.

(F) INSTALL DEAD BOLT LOCKS ON INSIDE OF DOORE.

LOCKS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE EMBASSY.

(G) ONE AIR CONDITIONING OPENING IN EACH HOUSE FOR 6,000 BTU AIR CONDITIONER. EXTERIOR OF OPENING TO BE BARRED AND COVERED WITH EXPANDING METAL WELDED TO THE BARS.

(H) SCOTCHTINT OR SIMILAR PRODUCT TO COVER ALL WINDOWS.

B. INSTALLATION OF AIR CONDITIONING UNIT IN EACH GUARD HOUSE.

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2. FRONT & REAR LOBBY ENTRANCES

COVER EXISTING GRILL GATES AND FRAMES WITH 1/4" CLEAR PLASTIC IN SUCH A MANNER THAT THE PLASTIC CAN BE REMOVED FOR CLEANING. INSTALL EMBASSY PROVIDED ELECTRIC LOCKS AND NECESSARY WIRING AND/OR CONDUIT ON BOTH ENTRANCES WITH THE CONTROL BUTTON LOCATED IN THE GUARD OFFICE IN THE LOBBY.

3. LOBBY

INSTALL EMBASSY PROVIDED LEXAN IN HALLWAY WINDOW FACING THE PARKING LOT AND IN RECEPTIONISTS WINDOW FACING FRONT DRIVEWAY.

4. WINDOW GRILLS

CONSTRUCT, PAINT AND INSTALL 24 WINDOW GRILLS OF EXPANDING METAL WITH METAL FRAMES. INSTALLATION AND DESIGN ARE TO BE EXACTLY THE SAME AS THE EXISTING WINDOW GRILLS.

5. AMBASSADOR'S OFFICE

A. REMOVE EXISTING DOUBLE GLASS DOORS AND LOUVERED TRANSOM LEADING INTO THE AMBASSADOR'S SUITE. ENCLOSE TRANSOM

OPENING WITH CEMENT BLOCKS AND BUILD ONE DOOR MEASURING APPROXIMATELY 6' BY 7'. DOOR SHOULD BE MADE OF REINFORCED SHEET METAL WITH A WINDOW MEASURING APPROXIMATELY 3'X3'. EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE LEXAN TO BE INSTALLED FOR WINDOW. DOOR SHOULD HAVE HEAVY DUTY HINGES, WELDED OR FACING IN AND A HEAVY DUTY DOOR CLOSER. DOOR FRAME SHOULD BE OF METAL. ELECTRIC LOCK WILL BE PROVIDED BY EMBASSY TO BE INSTALLED, BY THE CONTRACTOR, ON THE DOOR WITH CONTROL BUTTONS ON TWO DESKS LOCATED WITHIN THE AMBASSADOR'S SUITE.

B. NECESSARY PAINTING, PLASTERING AND CONDUIT INCLUDED.

C. PURCHASE AND INSTALL ONE CONVEX MIRROR. EMBASSY TO APPROVE MIRROR SIZE AND INSTALLATION.

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6. FIRST FLOOR
REMOVE FIRE EXIT DOOR AND LOUVERED TRANSOM FROM ABOVE DOOR IN THE OFFICE OF PERSONNEL. CEMENT IN TRANSOM AND INSTALL A SOLID WOODEN DOOR COVERED ON THE INSIDE WITH 1/4' PLATE STEEL. EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE A DEAD BOLT LOCK TO BE INSTALLED ON THE INSIDE OF THE DOOR. INSTALLATION, PAINTING AND PLASTERING INCLUDED.
NOTE: AREA LEADING FROM PERSONNEL AREA THRU STAIRWELL TO AMBASSADOR'S OFFICE AREA.)

7. COMMUNICATIONS
PURCHASE AND INSTALL AN INTERCOM SYSTEM, TO BE CHOSEN BY THE EMBASSY, BETWEEN THE GUARD OFFICE IN THE LOBBY, FRONT AND REAR DOORS AND BOTH GUARD HOUSES. INSTALLATION TO INCLUDE WIRING AND CONDUIT PLACED UNDERGROUND.

8. REPAIR OF FRONT AND REAR GRILL DOORS AND FRAMES IN THE LOBBY.

9. AIR CONDITIONING

REMOVE THE AIR CONDITIONING UNIT FROM THE 2ND FLOOR AND
INSTALL IT ON THE GROUND FLOOR OUTSIDE THE BUILDING, CONSTRUCT:
INSTALL DUCTING WITH OUTLETS INTO THE GROUND FLOOR LOBBY, TELEPHONE
EXCHANGE ROOM AND UTILITY ROOM. SEAL OFF OLD AIR DUCTS ON 2ND
FLOOR AND REMOVE THE WINDOW AIR CONDITIONERS FROM THE TELEPHONE
EXCHANGE AND UTILITY ROOMS ON THE GROUND FLOOR. WIRING AND
CONDUIT ARE TO BE INCLUDED. OPENING CREATED BY REMOVING THE
AIR CONDITIONER FROM THE TELEPHONE EXCHANGE IS TO BE CLOSED AND
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PAINTED. THE OPENING CREATED BY REMOVING THE AIR CONDITIONER IN
THE UTILITY ROOM IS TO BE ENLARGED INTO A WINDOW THAT OPENS AND
COVERED WITH EXPANDING METAL GRILL EXACTLY LIKE THAT COVERING THE
OTHER WINDOW.

10. COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

MODIFY COMMUNICATION CENTER TO COMPLY WITH S/KAG 1B AS FOLLOWS:

- A. INSTALL EMBASSY PROVIDED VAULT DOOR IN ENTRANCE. BOTH
SIDES OF VAULT DOOR ARE TO BE COVERED IN FORMICA.
- B. COVER TWO WINDOWS WITH 1/4" PLATE STEEL.
- C. INSTALL EMBASSY PROVIDED WINDOW AIR CONDITIONER IN WINDOW
AND WIRE.
- D. ON THE INSIDE OF THE VAULT DOOR NEW LIGHT WEIGHT DOOR WITH
AUTOMATIC DOOR CLOSER TO BE INSTALLED. DOOR SHOULD OPEN
RIGHT TO LEFT AND BE COVERED ON THE OUTSIDE IN FORMICA.
- E. MOVE ELECTRIC WIRING FOR XEROX MACHINE TO OTHER SIDE OF
ROOM.
- F. REMOVE THREE CEILING LIGHT FIXTURES AND INSTALL FIVE NEW
FLOURESCENT LIGHT FIXTURES.
- G. RNEOVATIONS:
 - (1) REMOVE EXISTING CUBICLE TO THE LEFT OF THE ENTRANCE,
PAINT AND REPAIR RUG AS NECESSARY.
 - (2) REMOVE AND RELOCATE COUNTER TO LEFT OF ENTRANCE.
 - (3) REMOVE SMALL WALL, EXPANNDING METAL SCREEN AND DOOR.
OPENING SHOULD BE MADE IN THE DOOR 3'8" FROM THE
FLOOR AND 18" WIDE WITH A COUNTER 12" DEEP.
- H. NECESSARY ELECTRICAL WIRING AND CONDUIT INCLUDED.

11. ONE CONTRACTOR HAS AGREED TO COMPLETE ALL PROJECTS IN
PARAGRAPH ONE THRU TEN FOR ESTIMATED COST OF \$20,161.00.

12. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS TO BE PURCHASED BY EMBASSY FOR INSTALLATION
BY CONTRACTOR:

- A. LEXAN AND SHIPPING COST \$1,280.00
- B. THREE 6,000 BTU WINDOW AIR CONDITIONERS \$675.00
- C. INTERCOM SYSTEM FOR INSTALLATION IN MSG DESK AND
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GUARD BOOTHS \$125.00

13. TOTAL COST FOR ANTI-TERRORIST PROJECTS IN CHANCERY \$23,241.00.
PLEASE PROVIDE POST WITH THESE FUNDS SO CONTRACTS CAN BE LET AND
CONSTRUCTION STARTED.

14. ESTIMATES FOR SECURITY PROJECTS FOR CONSULAR SECTION HAVE NOT
BEEN RECEIVED. WHEN ESTIMATES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED A SEPARATE
CABLE WILL BE SENT OUTLINING DETAILS AND COST ESTIMATE FOR
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